SENATE BILL No. 583

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 5-2-6.1-15.

Synopsis: Victims compensation fund. Provides that the victim services division of the Indiana criminal justice institute may pay reasonable funeral, burial, or cremation expenses of all victims of violent crimes who die as a result of the crime. (Current law limits payment to unmarried victims.)

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Effective: July 1, 2007.

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January 23, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters.

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Introduced

First Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2007)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2006 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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- SECTION 1. IC 5-2-6.1-15, AS AMENDED BY P.L.121-2006, SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 15. (a) If an unmarried the victim of a violent crime dies as a result of the crime, the division may pay the reasonable expenses incurred for funeral, burial, or cremation.
- (b) The division shall adopt guidelines to determine when the payment of expenses under subsection (a) is appropriate. In adopting guidelines under this subsection, the division shall consider the availability of other sources of compensation, including township assistance and federal programs.



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